

ASKS LANSING KEEP GALICIA FROM GOING TO POLAND

Ukraine Appeals to the
U. S. Through Agent
at Washington

SEES BAD FATE
FOR WARSAW

Declares 65 Percent of
the Population in Dis-
pute Is Ukrainian

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Protest against the action of the supreme council at Paris in granting to Poland mandatory powers for twenty-five years over the territory of Eastern Galicia, 65 per cent of whose population claim to be Ukrainians, was made today by Julian Hatcher, Ukrainian representative of the Ukrainian People's Republic in a memorandum addressed to Secretary Lansing.

Appealing for the right of self-determination of peoples, Hatcher cited the action of the 3,500,000 Ukrainians of Eastern Galicia who had been proclaimed through their legislative body the desire for a union with the former Ukrainian provinces of southern Russia now known as the Ukrainian People's Republic.

The fact that the mandate over the territory was limited to twenty-five years indicated the doubtful character of Poland's title, in the opinion of the Ukrainian representative. As evidence of the alleged Polish rule already initiated, Hatcher enumerated the suppression of the Ukrainian language and press and the suspension of all Ukrainian schools.

"It is the opinion of the government and of the people of Ukraine that the above mentioned decision of the supreme council is neither righteous nor reasonable; that it will not lead to reconciliation, peace, liberty and happiness nor to the foundation and perpetuation of a strong and stable Poland; but on the contrary, will lead to continued strife and warfare and that it creates the same conditions that led to the downfall of the old Polish empire and will in the future cause the end of the Polish republic."

HARA PROMISES VOTING REFORM

Japan to Progress With
Spirit of the Age,
Says Premier

TOKYO, Tuesday, Dec. 23.—On the eve of the formal opening of the diet, Premier Hara issued a statement asserting that "many problems exist, some of them not easy of solution." Extension of the franchise, the internal food problem and foreign diplomacy, especially with reference to China, were in the fore, he said, demanding study before a solution can be reached. "The government is optimistic, however, and expects to encounter no serious obstacles."

"Concerning the franchise we are prepared to meet the will of the people."

"I am convinced," said Premier Hara, "that Japan is advancing with the rest of the civilized world and is not going behind or against it. Japan can go forward with faith in her future."

\$250,000 Gifted for Episcopal Cathedral

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Three Christmas gifts aggregating \$250,000 towards completion of the nave of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine were announced today by Right Rev. Charles Sumner Burch, Protestant Episcopal bishop of New York.

Dies After Sleeping for Fourteen Days

SANTA BARBARA, Dec. 25.—John Brazil died in this city today of sleeping sickness. He had been asleep for fifteen days.

Paris to Turn Its Clocks Forward

PARIS, Dec. 25.—The newspapers announce that the government has decided on new measures to remedy the clock crisis. The plan is for turning the clocks ahead an hour for the purpose of conserving fuel used for illuminating purposes. Another project will greatly restrict lighting in the large cities, particularly in Paris.

GERMAN CLAIM WILL TAKE TWO WEEKS TO VERIFY

Final Debate on Ratification of Treaty to Follow

LENSNER TALKS
ON BERLIN TRIP

Tenor of Allied Note
Surprises Envoy; No
Intention to Delay

PARIS, Dec. 25.—(By the Associated Press).—The final debate of the repeatedly postponed exchange of ratifications of the treaty of Versailles depends upon the speed with which the allied mission in Germany can verify the German figures of available floating dock tonnage demanded by the allies as compensation for the sinking of the German warships at Scapa flow. The Associated Press was informed to this effect today at the headquarters of the German peace delegation.

Baron von Lensner, head of the German peace delegation, said he thought this would take at least a fortnight, it not longer in view of the difficulties of transportation in Germany and details involved in verifying the figures.

French Press Misunderstanding is reflected in the Paris press during the past two days regarding the proposed trip to Berlin, which I subsequently abandoned," he said. "My object was to hurry, rather than to delay the putting of the Versailles treaty into effect."

Baron von Lensner said he was surprised at the tenor of the note, which he said seemed so little in accord with the progress of the negotiations. "The Paris press," he said, "seemingly announced our readiness to deliver without undermining our economic existence as compensation for the Scapa flow sinkings, and forecast an early agreement on this question. If we did not get that far it was not our fault. Our experts have been asked to talk the matter over since a week ago."

Baron von Lensner asserted that according to German communications the delivery of the German peace delegation made a diminution in the port tonnage demanded conditional upon verification of Germany's claims that the tonnage estimates of the harbor material available were erroneous.

"I want to say in this connection," he continued, "that the statements in the French press that we were discussing and carrying out wrong figures on this tonnage are absolutely unfounded. This investigation would prove, I pointed out, that the tonnage estimates of the harbor material available were erroneous."

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To Verify Statements
"We agreed that it should be possible to get a time to verify our statements and come to a definite agreement regarding harbor materials to be delivered by Germany. I hope that all our expectations will soon be fulfilled, and that peace will finally be put into effect."

After the chief of the German delegation had informed M. Dutasta that he thought it advisable to go to Berlin, communication by special wire was restored, according to the information given out at the headquarters of the German delegation, and it was decided to telegraph the note and verbal communication, which, taking into consideration the time for making transmission and the delay, could not come to the knowledge of the German government before the morning of December 25.

Havas Justifies Report
PARIS, Dec. 25.—The Havas agency has issued the following official note:

"The German press of Wednesday pretends that Baron von Lensner never intended quitting Paris and that the statement he made to M. Dutasta that he meant to leave with Herr von Simson was erroneous. The German press insinuates that this was unfounded and that the news sent out by Havas and the story of von Lensner's second visit to Dutasta was an invention to cover up the Havas withdrawal."

"These allegations are contrary to the truth. Von Lensner's declaration of eleven o'clock Tuesday morning cannot be denied. They were immediately written and communicated to all the allies. Baron von Lensner later at 3:45 p. m. informed M. Dutasta that he and von Simson were remaining in Paris."

FIGHTING BETWEEN RIVAL MINERS IN THE NORTHWEST

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 25.—John J. Hewitt, treasurer of the Western Fuel and Coke Company of Wilkeson, Wash., at 8:30 o'clock tonight from Tacoma telephoned Governor Louis F. Hart appealing for troops to be rushed to Wilkeson because of fighting which is reported to have broken out between union and non-union miners, who are ex-service men.

EX-KAISER SPENDS SECOND CHRISTMAS IN FORCED EXILE

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 25.—(By the Associated Press).—The former emperor of Germany, Kaiser Wilhelm, passed today to spend with his parents their second Christmas in exile. J. B. Kam, secretary of general affairs of the Dutch government, the burgomaster of Wilkeson, members of the von Bentick family and some of the American functionaries were guests at a banquet this evening in the great hall of the Bentick castle.

This was the climax of a celebration arranged by the former emperor personally. A large Christmas tree was in the hall, and from this the former ruler distributed gifts.

SWISS AVALANCHE BRINGS DEATH TO DAVOS RESIDENTS

GENEVA, Dec. 25.—The avalanche at the mountain resort of Davos yesterday caused terror among residents and tourists and resulted in several deaths. One huge avalanche swept down upon a sanatorium, smashing doors and windows on the first and second stories and killing a Russian woman and her nurse and seriously injuring a third. Other persons were injured in the upper floors all night. Another avalanche fell on the hotel Excelsior, killing two employees and a third overwhelmed the Pension Germania. Five persons have been killed and several others are feared others are buried under the wreckage.

JAIL PRISONERS MAKE ESCAPE

Deputy Sheriff Shot in
Attack; Dash Made
During Greeting

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 25.—Four men with police records all over the country escaped from jail here today during an attack by six men upon Deputy Sheriff, one of whom was shot. The four men, all large, are Edward McLean, alias D. E. West, 30, widely known as a safe blow; Albert Leach, store burglar known to police under six aliases; Leo Mitchell, with eleven aliases, safe blow; and Frank Howard, alias Al Johnson, alias Whitey, safe blow and burglar.

Six men visited the jail and said "Merry Christmas" to the three deputies on duty. While one of the deputies was returning the salutation, the men attacked the guards, locking them in a cell. Leo Nossan, a deputy, was shot in the shoulder. Sheriff John Mathias, hearing the commotion, arose from his bed and, unarmed, appeared on the scene. He was promptly taken to the cellar and incarcerated.

The ten men then departed from the jail and although an alarm was given, no trace was found of them.

An abandoned automobile was found near a roadhouse in the outskirts and it is believed that they escaped in it. Two men suspected of freeing the jail inmates have been arrested. Hearing an attempt to release them, police with shotguns are guarding the city prison tonight.

Workmen Begging on Madrid Streets

MADRID, Wednesday, Dec. 24.—While Spain generally is celebrating the Christmas season, workmen here at Barcelona, Valencia and other cities where beggars are in great numbers are seen on the streets begging pennies for Christmas.

Never, according to the citizens, have there been more mendicants on the streets of Madrid than tonight, while their more prosperous neighbors were dining in luxury in their own homes or in the big hotels which made the celebration of Christmas Eve an imposing occasion.

Twelve I. W. W. Held for Trial, Nebraska

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 25.—Governor McKelvie has informed Attorney General Palmer, in answer to an inquiry, that there are twelve I. W. W. in custody at Nebraska, and that they will be prosecuted in due time.

Defer Pan-American Congress One Week

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 25.—The second Pan American congress scheduled to open in Washington, D. C., January 12, has been deferred one week, according to a telegram received here today from Carter Glass, secretary of the treasury.

BALTIC POWERS SAID TO HAVE AGREEMENT IN VIEW

Bolsheviki Said to Have
Given Concessions to
Estonians

BORDER LEAGUE
IN ABEYANCE?

James O'Grady, British
Representative Back
in London

DELRAP, Wednesday, Dec. 24.—It was officially announced tonight that the Estonian and bolshevik delegates in conference here had reached an agreement on the questions of frontiers and military guarantees. It was stated that they probably would sign what was designated as "a preliminary armistice" during the night.

RIGA, Monday, Dec. 22.—As the result of conferences held here, it has been decided to hold a meeting at Helsingfors the first week in January at which all the Baltic border states will be represented, for the purpose of establishing the frontiers of a league of the states bordering on Russia. The question of these states jointly making terms with the bolsheviks will also be threshed out at this conference.

DORPAT, Tuesday, Dec. 23.—Some indications that an agreement might be reached in the negotiations for peace between Estonian and soviet Russia were observable here tonight. The bolsheviks were said to be showing a willingness to make further concessions in the matter of territorial adjustments, which it was believed would obviate the necessity of the Estonian army falling back from the Narva front, to which the Estonian government has been offering strong objections for strategic reasons. According to the Estonians, the bolshevik forces on the Narva and Pskov fronts combined total 150,000 men.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—James O'Grady, who has been conferring in Copenhagen as the representative of Great Britain, reached here tonight. A bolshevik representative, with regard to the exchange of prisoners, has returned to London. His purpose, it is said, is to confer with the foreign office here.

It was announced December 13 that the negotiations at Copenhagen had been postponed to permit the two representative countries to counter with their governments.

PREFERENCE FOR CARS OF GRAIN

Food Stuffs Are to Be
Handled From Har-
vest Centers.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—An order giving grain preference over all other commodities was issued today by R. H. Ashton, regional director of the Northwest, and Hale Holden, regional director of the central West. It applies to all railroads under their jurisdiction.

The order followed complaints by grain men of the North west and central West that they were unable to move crops on account of car shortage, and will remain in force until the present crops have been marketed.

Not only are grain cars to have preference on the right of way, but they are to receive attention first in repair shops and extra forces to put bad order cars in condition are authorized by the order.

WARNS LEGION ON ACTIONS

D'Olier Sends Greetings
to Officers; Urges
Keeping Influence

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 25.—Department commanders, executive committee members, alternates and adjutants of the American Legion today were sent holiday greetings by Franklin D'Olier, national commander. He thanked them for their co-operation, and warned them against any far-reaching over-zealousness, thoughtless or unfair action which could weaken the influence for national betterment.

The message said, in part: "The legion as an organization has become so great that we need scarcely fear any force from without, and I feel confident that not only those of us who are charged with the responsibility of administration, but all members of the American Legion feel that there is one thing against which we must be on guard, and that is over-zealousness, thoughtless or unfair action which could weaken or tend to destroy the legion's influence for national betterment."

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 25.—James A. Rafferty, commercial agent for the Philippine Islands, who has spent the last eighteen months in the United States, left here early today for Vancouver to board a liner for Manila.

PRESIDENT TAKES WALK IN GROUNDS OF WHITE HOUSE

Paris Has Joyful Christmas
Night and Morning---
Quiet in America

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—The national capital, officially and privately, spent a quiet Christmas. All departments of the government were closed and Congress was in the midst of its two weeks' holiday recess.

The only official act of the day was the signature by President Wilson of the bill passed by Congress just before the holiday recess began and designed to promote American partnership in foreign trade.

With the exception of attaching his signature to the bill, the President rested, spending most of the forenoon in the White House garden and at noon eating a Christmas dinner in his room. During the afternoon, while Mrs. Wilson drove out to inspect gifts to friends of the family and to the children living along the road to the country club, where the President before his illness played golf, Mr. Wilson read the large number of Christmas messages which he received from all parts of the United States and from abroad.

Members of the cabinet and other high government officials spent the day at their homes.

So Bill Didn't Know

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 25.—A lost baggage check and a desire to withhold until today the nature of a Christmas gift to "hubby" late last night caused several hundred anxious passengers at the Union Station here to nearly miss their trains.

A brown traveling bag had been checked, but the check, it was said, had lost the tag. The Christmas spirit prevailing, the agent offered to let her have the bag if she could describe its contents.

"What is on top?" asked the baggage man.

"No," said the woman, excitedly and under her breath. "There is a pair of slippers on top for Bill," and he mustn't know until tomorrow."

Several bags were opened, finally the right one found and given to the woman. But the husband was carefully screened a safe distance from the examiners. The tired travelers forgot their delay and smiled indulgently as the pair ran for their train.

Marshall at Home

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 25.—Vice President Thomas R. Marshall, Mrs. Marshall and their foster son, Morrison Marshall, spent Christmas day quietly here, at home of a friend, Marshall will be guest of honor at a luncheon to be given at the Indiana Democratic club.

Stops Holiday Trips to Juarez

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 25.—Hundreds of El Pasoans and tourists who planned to visit Juarez, Mexico, today were kept out of all kinds of can be seen on Sunday and holidays.

Whisky and legitimate Mexican drink could be had at prices varying from \$2 to \$15 a quart here today from "bootleggers." If the seller was known to be "all right," prices on the contraband liquor had risen sharply in price the last few days because of four dealers in the slinging affairs connected with whisky smuggling.

Mexican fiscal guards late yesterday captured a lot of liquor that was being started across the international boundary for Christmas sale. They said at traveling prices the liquor would have brought \$200,000.

The American side, it is expected to be sold by the Mexican customs service for \$20,000.

Juarez bootleggers and other men, who had prepared for a longer haul, had been taken to the border. The men who had been taken to the border were taken to the border. The men who had been taken to the border were taken to the border.

Few Ask Free Roast Dinner

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Christmas dinner was eagerly awaited here tonight. Paper plates with all the trimmings, and turkey, were being served in many homes. The turkey was being served in many homes. The turkey was being served in many homes.

The famous turkey dinner served only the previous year, when it was served in the White House, was not served here tonight. The turkey was being served in many homes. The turkey was being served in many homes.

TWO SCHOOLS IN FOWLER RACIAL

Armenian and Japanese
Classes Each Include
Score or More

(Special to The Republican)
FOWLER, Dec. 25.—Principal F. P. Hogan of the Fowler school, who wrote to State Superintendent Will C. Wood of racial schools, is ill at his home in Fowler, and was not in condition to discuss the subject further than to say that his letter to the state school department was one asking information as to the law in the premises, and to see if the practice could be legally prohibited.

There are two schools here, one conducted by the Armenians, and the other by the Japanese. Just how many pupils are attending these schools the principal states could not be ascertained without a school census, but there are supposedly upwards of a score in either school. The Armenian school is for adults and primary pupils both, and is said to be conducted in the mother tongue. The Japanese school is supposedly for children under school age, a sort of kindergarten, where the English language is taught in conjunction with that of the Japanese.

The objection raised by Principal Hogan was that the time put in by the pupils after school hours in the racial schools detracted from the work in the public schools, in that it kept the scholars at work more than the six hours permitted by the school laws of the state, and that the traditions which would naturally be taught in the mother tongue of the pupils in these two particular schools would be inimical to the teaching of Americanization in the schools of the state as well as in civic bodies throughout the land.

Inasmuch as the state school department has indicated there is no law to prevent racial schools, it is the belief of the school authorities here that nothing further can be done in the matter.

Magazine Editor Gets Belgian Decoration

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Mrs. William Brown Meloney, magazine editor, today received from the Queen of the Belgians the decoration of the order of Queen Elizabeth for distinguished services to the Belgian cause in the United States. In 1917 Mrs. Meloney was given the Medaille de Chevalier in recognition of work for Belgian children.

Identify Suspect in Denver Murder

DENVER, Dec. 25.—Alex. Miller, mute farm hand held in the Denver county jail pending an investigation into the murder of Adam Shank, his wife, Elizabeth Shank, and their four children near Gilcrest, Colo., Saturday night, was identified today according to Chief of Police Hamilton Armstrong, by Frank Stephens, an auto truck driver, as a man he picked up four miles from the Shank farm early Sunday morning and gave a ride to Blauvelt, James M. Scott, Union Pacific station agent at Plattville, has identified Miller as a man to whom he sold a ticket to Denver Sunday morning.

A neighbor of the Shank family was found today who said he had shot in the direction of the Shank home.

Venzelos at Rome on Way to Paris

ROME, Dec. 25.—Premier Venzelos of Greece arrived here from Athens yesterday, remained in Rome twelve hours and then departed for Paris, where he will go to Paris Sunday and Premier Nitti early in January.

CALL SHIPPERS TO MEET ON RAILWAY BILL

Interests to Be Presented
Before Roads Are
Returned

AT CHICAGO
DECEMBER 30

Every Organization in
United States Has
Been Invited

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—Representatives of shippers' organizations from all parts of the country will meet in Chicago, December 30, to consider national legislation which will prevent the return of railroads to private ownership.

The provisions of the Cummins and Esch railroad bills, now before Congress, will be discussed from the shippers' point of view and desired changes in the measures may be recommended.

Every important organization of shippers in the United States has been invited to send representatives to the conference. The call for the meeting includes the pending railroad legislation is of grave importance and when enacted may control relations between the shippers and the railroads for a generation.

Need Billion a Year

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—Fixing of March 1 as the date on which the railroads are to be returned to private operation was approved tonight by Hale Holden, regional director for the Central West, and R. H. Ashton, director for the Northwest region. Before the government took over the railroads Mr. Holden was president of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, and Mr. Ashton was at the head of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad.

"The roads should spend a billion dollars a year," said Holden, "for at least a five-year period in order to provide the country with an adequate transportation machine. Extensions, improvements and additional equipment are sorely needed."

"On the legislation passed and the government's attitude toward them, it is a good thing that the railroads are being returned to private ownership. It is a good thing that the railroads are being returned to private ownership. It is a good thing that the railroads are being returned to private ownership."

Benjamin L. Winchel, southern regional railroad director, who is spending Christmas with his son here, said:

"I am sure the big majority of the people will be glad to have the date of the return of the roads definitely settled."

Mr. Winchel is formerly director of traffic of the Union Pacific.

Approves Delay

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 25.—E. P. Riegel, president of the Atchafalaya, Topock and Santa Fe Railroad, said here tonight that the action of President Wilson in postponing the return of the railroads to private ownership from January 1 to March 1 "was probably a good thing for all concerned, in view of the fact that Congress had failed to pass laws for the operation of the roads."

Threaten Strike Against Rail Act

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. (Bulletin), Dec. 25.—Six railroad shop workers, numbering six hundred members, who are striking in sympathy with the railroads when they are returned to private ownership, have issued a statement in which they asserted, today, that they would strike if Congress failed to pass laws for the operation of the roads.

Second of Wrecked Fisher Boats Found

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—The second of the two gasoline fishing smacks whose crews were lost Tuesday night outside the Golden Gate in a heavy fog, was picked up today off Lime Point. Unlike the first, which was washed ashore in a wrecked condition, the Italian had only lost its hatch covers and the tiny outboard motor, and apparently had not overturned and righted itself, for the cockpit was full of water. Several life preservers were found in the cockpit, and it was believed the crew of three had been drowned before they had a chance to don them. Five men lost their lives in the wreck of the Luchetta, none of the bodies has been washed ashore.

Find Oregon Farmer Shot Through Head

ALBANY, Oregon, Dec. 25.—James C. Burch, a farmer who lived near here, was found dead in a shed at his home today, with a gunshot wound in his head. Burch had started to the outhouse to get a small rifle, intending to carry it while showing two visitors over the farm. Indications, the coroner said after an investigation, were that he had accidentally shot himself.

DANIELS FLASHES NAVY GREETINGS

Vessels in Pacific Ocean
and Orient Get
Message

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 25.—Particulars of the manner in which Christmas greetings were flashed to American naval craft in all parts of the Pacific, the China and Japan seas, were given out today at the high-power radio station here.

The greetings of Secretary Daniels of the navy were sent to the station by telegraph because of the large amount of work being handled by the radio stations on the Atlantic coast. This message was relayed by the San Diego station as Christmas was dawning. It was picked up and acknowledged by naval craft scattered along the Pacific coast, from San Diego to Nome, Alaska, and by naval radio stations at Manila, Honolulu, Pago Pago, Samoa, Mare Island and Bremerton.

The station at Manila flashed the message to American navy vessels on duty along the China coast from Hong Kong to Canton. Even the little gunboats on patrol duty up the Yangtze river received the greetings within an hour, according to the radio operators.

The local radio operators exchanged greetings also with the French navy radio station at Papeete in the south Pacific and with the American operators at Coco Solo in the Panama Canal zone.

Noted Prohibitionist Dies in Nebraska

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 25.—Horace F. Carson, for eight years superintendent of the Nebraska Anti-Saloon league, died here today. He was widely known as a prohibition worker.

Nebraska Pioneer Lawyer Is Dead

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 25.—Judge Samuel H. Sedgwick, for fifteen years a justice of Nebraska supreme court, died suddenly here tonight from heart disease. He was a pioneer lawyer, 71 years old.

Accept Four Strips of State Highway

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—The state highway commission announced today the acceptance of thirty-four miles of highway, paving of which has just been completed. The mileage is as follows: Sixteen miles in Marin county between San Rafael and the northern county line; three miles in Santa Cruz county between Glenwood and Sand Hill; six and one-half miles in Butte county between Oroville and the Shippage road; and nine miles in Nevada county between Nevada City and the southern boundary.

Discharged Sailor Died of Pistol Shot

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 25.—Earl Milton, discharged sailor of Chehalis, was found lying beside the road with a bullet wound in his head, seven miles southeast of Chehalis, last night. He died in a hospital here today. The young man's grunts attracted a party of Chehalis motorists, who were on their way to an entertainment at Forest, and he was found. Beside him was a revolver with one empty cartridge in it.

NOTED PERSIAN RUG BROUGHT TO FRESNO

Kulljian Carries on
Campaign for Independent Armenia

Thomas H. Kulljian, a well known San Francisco citizen of Armenian nationality, has been spending the last few days in this city, visiting his sister, Mrs. M. Vartikian, and leaves today for Washington, where he will continue activities in behalf of the independence of Armenia. Mr. Kulljian is owner of the famous Persian rug that was used shortly after America entered the war as the footstool for the thousands of San Francisco troops leaving for camp, and which later was taken by him to Paris and there was used by President Wilson in his famous sessions of the Allied council and also by General Pershing on his triumphant visits to Paris. Mr. Kulljian has the rug, which is a Kerman product, over 100 years old, 23 by 10 feet in dimensions, with him in this city. When the Liberty Bell was on this rug, it rested on this rug while in San Francisco.

Mr. Kulljian is an ardent believer in an independent Armenia, one which shall be allowed by the Allies to carve out its own destinies in struggles with the Turks and other Orientals, without being forced by the circumstances of European politics to remain incorporated within the Turkish empire. The rug, he declares, is quite capable of maintaining itself, if the British and French keep their hands off. He declares that he is now entirely an American in spirit, as well as in citizenship, and does not want to see America called upon to take part, with the dispatch of troops, further in the world affairs. All that men of Armenian race in this country, who have become Americans, ask for the people of their own race, in the Fatherland, is that they be given the same rights and opportunities as are given to the American citizen, and that the government will prevent international cliques that will be to the advantage of the Turkish government.

United States Export Trade Bill Signed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—President Wilson signed today the 125th bill authorizing the extension of financial aid for the purpose of financing American export trade. The measure was passed just before the Christmas recess of Congress.

GERMANY TO CHECK EXPORT BUSINESS

BERLIN, Dec. 25.—The Reichsanzeiger says that a order of export trade control will be issued shortly empowering the national economic minister to forbid all exports, consequently experts will require the permission of the national commissary, who can transfer his authority to other bureaus. The existing central bureau for export permission will be replaced by export permission headquarters.

To cover the rising expense to the nation, charges will be imposed according to degree of the economic minister. The export bureaus can demand special rates to meet their additional expenses. The money derived from export permits will be devoted to improving social conditions. The penalties for illegal export have been increased. The goods will be confiscated and imprisonment has been provided, as well as fines equal to triple the value of the commodities.

APPEAL FOR AID TO SIBERIAN PRISONERS

GENEVA, Dec. 25.—The International Red Cross has sent out an appeal to the aid of the prisoners of war in Siberia. Two hundred thousand Austrians and Hungarians, many of whom were captured in 1914, are living without shelter and virtually without clothing and little food. Typhus has already killed 12,000 of the 16,000 men at the Troitz camp.

Matsonia Back From Service on Atlantic

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—The Matson liner Matsonia returned to San Francisco today after two years spent in transporting troops across the Atlantic, and will be used again on the run from here to Honolulu. The Matsonia brought 178 passengers from the east coast and landed all of them this morning for Christmas dinner at their hotels. The ship was delayed there more than half a day. In addition to doing duty as a transport, the Matsonia took across the Atlantic a supply of fuel oil every trip for the American destroyers stationed off the coast of Spain. After being released by the government, she was reconditioned at Newport News, Va.

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bands of gifts and blankets were distributed by the blue coats.

Pope Addresses Prelates of Rome

ROME, Wednesday, Dec. 24.—All of the cardinals present in Rome, the patriarchs, archbishops and bishops, the lay courts gathered at the Vatican today to present their Christmas greetings to Pope Benedict. Cardinal Vanutelli, dean of the Sacred College, who headed the visitors, delivered a short address, voicing the sentiments of his colleagues and himself. The pope replied, returning greetings and recalling the urgent necessity for aiding the poor and children of war victims.

"The necessity for faith," said the pope, "is demonstrated by the inability of the efforts of those who vainly try to give mankind peace and welfare, forgetting or ignoring God. Peace can not be obtained by the individual and by mankind if there is not order in both. There is no order without an acknowledgment of the dominion of God over His creatures."

"Order also requires a mastery of spirit over matter and a practical, sincere love of a man for his neighbor. At present there cannot be true peace because order has been subverted by individuals and by mankind. The moral miseries due to the war are being exploited by those who watch every opportunity to effect moral order."

"Today the spirit of independence has invaded all minds and leads them to rebellion. Today there is no shame in seeking amusements amidst the grief and sorrows of others and there is no limit to the dissipation of wealth and the drying up of the sources thereof. All this shows that modern society has attempted to see itself above God, passing from liberty to tolerance, from tolerance to division, from division to conflict, to ostracism of God."

"Therefore, forgetfulness of the supernatural and the triumph of the natural has led individuals to egotism and seeking to rule men and society."

Continuing the pope said that he did not despair, as all these evils could be obviated by faith, through which order would be re-established and peace would triumph.

"A lasting, true peace must be based on just arrangements among the peoples of the vanquished nations must be condemned to suffer equitable penalties, but not destruction," he said.

At Sacramento

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 25.—With Christmas morning a drizzling fog came to Sacramento. Except at the churches there was no commotion of observation of the day. Tuesday was observed as Christmas tree and distribution of toys under municipal auspices and yesterday thousands of toys were distributed by charitable organizations here.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—The suggestion has been made by Mme. Jules Stegfred, president of the National Council of French Women, that three days be set apart each year on which American and French women may recall their common labor and sufferings during the world war, according to cable advices received here by the war work council of the young Women's Association.

"When everyone perceives an ideal of work," July 4, a holiday in France as in America, and November 11, the anniversary of armistice day, were suggested by Mme. Stegfred as fitting dates.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—Efforts of the police today were directed toward the capture of six men who last night held up a fur store filled with Christmas shoppers and escaped with furs valued at \$25, and \$500 in cash. The robbers entered the store and with revolvers forced clerks and shoppers to line up against the wall.

SEARCHING FOR HIDDEN PLANET

Prof. Pickering Claims
Ascertaining Location
Outside Neptune

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 25.—Prof. William H. Pickering of the Harvard astronomical observatory, who is stationed at Mandeville, Jamaica, is engaged in a search for the planet which is supposed by astronomers to exist outside Neptune, and estimates that this undiscovered member of the solar system is some fifty-five times as far from the sun as is the earth, according to a statement made today by Prof. Solon L. Bailey, acting minister of the Harvard observatory.

"Astronomers have suspected the existence of a planet outside Neptune for the last fifty years," said Prof. Bailey, "and since 1877 many observers have tried to locate it. The usual method is to study the perturbations of Uranus and determine from these what must be the position of the object which is deflecting Uranus from its course."

In recent years Prof. Pickering has studied the perturbations of Neptune as well, and as a result has ascertained what he believes to be the approximate position of the new planet.

He has recently been engaged in a systematic study of photographic plates of the area of the sky in which he believes the planet to be situated. His method is to have telescopic photographs of a certain small section of the heavens taken at short intervals, and by placing the plates one on top of another to see if any of the minute points recorded on the plate seem to have moved.

It is expected that planet will be in opposition to the sun this winter, and therefore in a favorable position for observation. The exact date set for opposition by Prof. Pickering in an estimate was December 30, 1919. It is thought that the planet will be of about the fifteenth magnitude, which means that it will prove to be several thousand times too faint to be seen by the naked eye.

STEEL KING GETS LONG SENTENCE

Exile, Confinement and
Heavy Fine Given
Robert Roekling

AMIELS, Wednesday, Dec. 24.—A court-martial has sentenced the German officer, Robert Roekling, administrator of mines at Karlsruhe, to ten years' confinement, exile and a fine of ten million francs upon his conviction of a charge of organizing the pillage of factories in eastern France. It was testified at his trial that he had organized machinery and other material from the factories destroyed in the war in November, 1918. His brothers, Herman and Ludwig, were given similar sentences by default.

The Roekling brothers are known as German "steel kings." Herman Roekling, president of a steel association, was at one time a member of the German armistice commission, for which reason he was not arrested. The other brother, Ludwig, went to Versailles as a member of the peace delegation and consequently was covered by diplomatic immunity. The evidence presented by the prosecution was to show that the brothers had systematically destroyed plants at Briey, Mecheville, Longwy and other places, transporting within two years three millions of tons of material to their factory at Karlsruhe, including quantities of undamaged material so as to make the operation of what remained of the French plants next to impossible.

Robert Roekling, in his defense, pleaded that he had been forced by the German government, but testimony was given to show that his action was on his personal initiative.

PLAN WOMAN'S DEMOCRACY

"Party" Will Act in Full
Co-operation With
Men

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Organization of a national woman's Democratic party will be begun at a meeting tomorrow of more than one hundred prominent New York women. It was announced today that the call for the meeting was issued by Mrs. George H. Childs, president of the Women's Democratic club, and Miss Margaret Vale, a niece of President Wilson.

According to the organizers the new women's party will co-operate with the national Democratic organization, and is to be regarded as "in no way a split in the Democratic ranks."

Bomb Explosion in Madrid Plaza

MADRID, Dec. 25.—This city had its first bomb explosion for many years today, when a bomb exploded off in the Paseo Alberto Aduriz, near the Jesuit convent. There were no casualties, but some damage was done to surrounding buildings. It is believed the bomb was placed by street car strikers.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Dec. 25.—The jury in the trial of Harold Howell, 14 year old boy charged with the murder of Lilian Lundblad, near Bandon last July, reported disagreement today after 44 hours deliberation and Judge John S. Coke discharged the members. This was Howell's second trial, the first also having resulted in a disagreement. A third trial will be held, it is understood.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—The police broke up the attempted Christmas Day demonstration of the League for Amnesty for Political Prisoners here today. Several hundred radical paraders were dispersed, placards were destroyed and a number of arrests made for disobedience of orders to disband.

RAISIN STILL IS BACKED UP BY YOUNG ARSENAL

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 25.—Three barrels of whiskey, eight barrels of water-soaked raisins, almost a wagon load of dried grasses, a complete copper distilling outfit and eight shotguns and rifles, with a large quantity of ammunition, were seized at a farm house near Munger last night by Proctor police and railroad detectives.

Wellknown Politician Dies; Santa Barbara

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 25.—Edwin F. Smith, property agent, state board of control, widely known in California political circles, died today in Santa Barbara at the home of his son-in-law, T. M. Stokes, according to word received here. He had been ill for a month. He was 66 years old.

Smith was secretary of the California Constitutional convention in 1879-80, and served as secretary of the state senate during the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth regular sessions and for two extra sessions of 1884 and 1886. For twenty years he was secretary of the state agricultural society and was appointed to be property agent of the board of control in 1914.

Lumbermen Plan to Reduce Car Shortage

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 25.—Pacific northwest lumbermen, in an effort to relieve car shortage, are planning to ask the railroad administration to speed up replacement and repair of rolling stock by giving some of the work to private car works in this area, it was announced here today.

Over 2000 freight cars, badly needed to handle lumber shipments, are in Washington and Oregon railroad shops awaiting repairs the lumbermen claim.

On account of the car shortage a number of mills in Washington and Oregon have been forced to close down. The West Coast Lumbermen's Association announced recently, and thousands of men have been thrown out of work, it was said.

American Admiral at Chinese Capital

PEKING, Tuesday, Dec. 25.—(By The Associated Press.)—Admiral Albert Gleaves, commander of the Asiatic fleet, arrived here yesterday with his staff for a visit of several days. He was met at the railway station by Charge D'affaires Charles D. Tenney, councillor of the legation, a detachment of the legation guard, Admiral Sah Chen-Ping, Chinese minister of the navy and a Chinese guard of honor. The admiral was escorted to the hotel where he is being entertained and afterward attending a dance at a club arranged by Major Horton (United States marine corps attached to the legation) and Mrs. Horton.

Admiral Gleaves devoted his time to paying official calls, dining this evening at Admiral Sah Chen-Ping.

The visit of the American admiral in Peking has been extended from the six days originally planned to a period of twelve days at the request of the Chinese authorities.

Washout in Oregon Delays U. P. Trains

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 25.—Union Pacific system main line trains were being detained via Wallula and Walla Walla, due to a washout on the main line near Stanfield, Ore., where flood conditions prevailed yesterday. The waters had subsided greatly in the town of Stanfield today. Trains to and from the east were running considerably behind schedule as a result of the washout.

No Trace Found of Portland Bomb Sender

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 25.—Two days delving by federal and police officials here had proved ineffective so far as was concerned the discovery of any clue to the identity of the sender of a Christmas package containing a deadly bomb was here on Monday. The package was traced to the store of the G. F. Johnson Music company here, officers working on the case said they believed this had been done as a blind pointing to the fact that the address of the store had been incorrectly given on the package. Private enquiry of some sort, the officers said, was thought to have prompted the bomb sender's act.

Insane Father Kills Children

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 25.—Three Seattle children were dead today as a result of bullet wounds inflicted by their father, W. M. Potter, 35, real estate salesman, who, while delirious from fever, last night shot them as they lay in bed and then killed himself. Two of the children, Grace Potter, five, and her baby brother, George, 18 months, were killed instantly. Their brother, Wilson, four, died today. The father was despondent because of account of his illness and financial troubles, there being no Christmas celebration for his children today.

Injures Wife; Kills Himself

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 25.—Grim tragedy stalked in one Portland home this Christmas day, the death of W. A. Parry, carpenter, whose body is now in the morgue, the result of a self-inflicted bullet wound and whose wife is in a hospital here suffering from wounds inflicted by Parry before he turned a gun upon himself and fired.

Parry, said to have been suffering from temporary insanity, is alleged to have attacked his wife with a poker. Her screams aroused the neighborhood and apparently fearing interference by the neighbors Parry secured a gun and shot himself. He died on his way to a hospital.

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See Window Display, which serves only as a hint of the many bargains offered

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And only too well do the women of Fresno and vicinity know what a "Year-End Garment Event" means at Gottschalk's; growing year by year until they have become one of the most looked for economy and money-saving garment events of the fall and winter season.

They concern in particular the disposal of Winter Suits, Coats, Dresses, Millinery, Blouses and Children's Wear, at very low prices. Coming as they do, but once a year, these sales create a great buying interest in this community.

Hundreds of Fashionable Coats, Suits Dresses and Gowns---As Well As Hundreds of Hats, Waists, Etc. Are Offered in This Sale

This is your opportunity to replenish your wardrobe. All winter garments from the lowest to the highest priced have been reduced to prices that will force their quick disposal. The assortments are so varied and complete that you are sure to find just the garments you want, and the prices are far lower than one could ever expect to secure such excellent apparel.

Beginning Next Sunday, Dec. 28, Monday and Tuesday—

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All purchases made on charge accounts at this sale will be charged on the January account.

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Featuring Wonderful Values in Suits, Coats, Dresses, Furs, Skirts, Petticoats, Sweaters, Bath Robes, Bags, Etc.

This great sale is practically store-wide—every department being represented in the great "after-Christmas" reductions that are being made. Here are suits, coats and dresses, in the most up-to-date styles on sale at prices far below their original values; there are waists and sweaters, furs and petticoats, coats and dresses for the children, and many other items not mentioned here that are included in this event. In this sale you will have the opportunity to purchase at savings that are really worth-while—Splendid styles in women's and children's smart apparel.

SUITS---COATS---DRESSES
(Worth to \$35)
\$19.75

In this group are some of our best selling styles in Suits, Coats and Dresses. The Suits are in serge, poplin, etc. Coats are in all cloth and fur trimmed models and dresses are in serge, tricotine and some in silk. Values to \$35 are included in this group.

SUITS---COATS---DRESSES
(Worth to \$49.50)
\$29.75

There are many pretty styles and colors in this selection of Coats, Suits and Dresses offered at \$29.75—values to \$49.50 being included. Distinctive styles, smart trims and good colors characterize these garments—giving you a choice selection.



SUITS---COATS---DRESSES
(Values to \$59.50)
\$39.75

Very smart and attractive are the coats, suits and dresses on sale at this price. These are garments that were originally worth to \$59.50, and include some of the cleverest styles we have shown this season. Most of the coats are fur trimmed—dresses are in serge, tricotine and satin—and the suits represent many styles.

SUITS---COATS---DRESSES
(Values to \$69.50)
\$49.75

In this assortment are Coats, Suits and Dresses worth up to \$69.50, and some of our handsomest and most popular models are included. A wide range of color and material as well as distinctive modes gives you a pleasing choice.

Special Reductions
In Our French Room

Suits - Coats and Dresses
\$59.75 \$69.75 \$79.75

Our French Room is participating in this Special After-Christmas Sale, offering some of its smartest numbers at prices that are greatly reduced. Here you will find at \$59.75, \$69.75 and \$79.75, Suits, Coats and Dresses in the smartest of the season's styles.

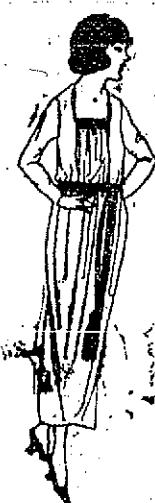
Junior Coats and Dresses
Greatly Reduced

The Girls' Shop is offering some wonderful values in Winter Coats and Dresses. It will be an opportunity to outfit your daughter at a great money-saving.

Junior Coats
\$13.95 \$17.95
For Values \$14.95 to \$19.75 For Coats To \$27.50

Every Junior Coat has been reduced and there are many charming and youthful models. All coats formerly worth \$14.95 to \$19.75 are on sale at \$13.95; all coats worth to \$27.50 are on sale at \$17.95.

Junior Dresses
\$7.95 \$12.95
For \$9.95 to \$12.95 Values For \$14.95 to \$17.95 Values
All our Junior Dresses in wool have been included in this sale event; pretty styles worth regularly from \$9.95 to \$12.95 are now \$7.95; all \$14.95 to \$17.95 dresses are now on sale at \$12.95.
\$18.95 \$24.75
For all \$19.75 to \$24.75 Values For \$29.75 to \$39.50 Values
In these two groups are pretty frocks in smart, girlish styles, the \$18.95 to \$24.75 models on sale at \$18.95, and the models worth \$29.75 to \$39.50 are now \$24.75.



Hundreds of Beautiful
Georgette Waists
Reduced for This Event

For this great event hundreds of beautiful Georgette Waists have been reduced to a price far below their original values. Many lovely styles are included in these groups and it will pay you to make your waist selections at this sale.



\$4.89

For Every \$5.95, \$6.95 or \$7.95 Value

In this group are pretty styles in white and flesh Georgette—every waist a \$5.95, \$6.95 or \$7.95 value. A good assortment of styles offers you a pleasing selection.

\$9.89

For \$11.95, \$12.95, \$13.95 and \$14.95 Values

Here in this assortment you will find many attractive styles in white, flesh and suit shades, in Georgette—waists that were formerly worth \$11.95, \$12.95, \$13.95 and \$14.95 values. Many distinctive styles and trims are shown in this group.

\$7.89

For Every \$8.95, \$9.95 and \$10.95 Value

Another group of lovely white and flesh Georgette Waists—some of these are beaded—some embroidered—others finished with tucks and lace—and all are beautiful. Regular \$8.95, \$9.95 and \$10.95 values are in this group.

\$14.89

For \$16.95, \$17.95, \$18.95, \$19.75, \$22.50 Values

There are many beautiful styles of Georgette waists in this group of models that are worth regularly \$16.95, \$17.95, \$18.95, \$19.75 and \$22.50; white, flesh and the suit shades are included in smart and distinctive styles.

1/4 Off Regular Prices
On Our Entire Stock of
FURS

During this Special After-Christmas Sale, all furs will be on sale at just one-fourth off on their regular prices—a great reduction. All fur pieces are included in this great event—coats, capes, coats, neck pieces, etc.

Never has our stock been more complete or more beautiful—and at these special reductions your opportunity to purchase a handsome fur piece at a hand saving is here.



Petticoats \$4.89

For All Values Worth to \$7.95

Another great feature of this Special After-Christmas Sale is these special prices we are making on beautiful Silk Petticoats in taffeta, messaline, jersey-top, taffeta flounce, etc. These are values up to \$7.95 and many pretty shades await your selection.

Wool Sweaters
\$9.89

For \$10.95, \$11.95, \$12.95, \$13.95 Wool Sweaters In Stock

During this sale every \$10.95, \$11.95, \$12.95 and \$13.95 Wool Sweater that we have in stock is reduced to this price of \$9.89. This includes tuxedo, coat and slip-over styles in a pretty assortment of colors.



See Our Cash Basement Ad. on Page 8.

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WHY PRICES ARE HIGH

Attorney-General Palmer announces that the high cost of living can be met by people working more and saving more and by the government getting after the profiteers and the hoarders. It is a simple program, but as we have pointed out, it takes some body to bell the cat. The only steps in this program within the control of government are the punishment of profiteers and hoarders. No one supposes that any government could stop all profiteering, and no informed person supposes that if it were all stopped it would meet any more than a small fraction of the problem. As to the rest, it is a matter of moral suasion and united action. Under the stimulus of war sentiment, we could be aroused to work more and to consume less. In time of peace most of us are likely to wait until the need of doing one or the other is personal.

Even if it were possible for some united evangelism to arouse the people to work more and save more, it need not be presumed that this would bring about any immediately great lowering of the price level. Individual prices may be too high or less high for individual reasons. But the general price level is high because there is too much money and because there are too few things to buy with it. This increases demand and reduces supply, and prices go up. Greater diligence in production and greater economy in consumption would cure a part of the evil and reduce prices to the normal level produced by the increased money supply. But below that, prices cannot go without disaster until the excess money is itself retired, and this is a process requiring many steps.

Saving is one step. The more money people save the more debts are paid and the fewer outstanding credits there are. But until this retirement includes the payment of the vast amount of governmental securities now in circulation, a considerable degree of inflation will still exist. Liberty bonds are now used as money in large transactions, and as security for credit in many others. Commercial credit is the basis of federal reserve bank notes, which are used as money. American paper money, to be sure, is still of the gold basis, and with all the gold in the world either in America or owed to America, we shall remain on the gold basis. But the gold itself, with such an over-supply in America, is necessarily depreciating. Also, all the rest of the world is on a sheer fiat money basis. Its paper and its commercial credits are naturally inflated and unstable. For the present the resultant exchange rates obstruct American foreign commerce. But either those exchange rates must reach a point which will make commerce possible or else we shall have no foreign commerce, and Europe will have no American goods; with the result that panic will deflate, suddenly and disastrously, the credit which we are seeking to deflate slowly and safely.

Inflation, then, is a condition with which the world must reckon for some years to come, unless conditions are overthrown by panics and revolutions. While there is inflation prices will remain up. They may not or should not be as high as they are now; but they will never go down to pre-war levels until the currency of the world goes down and the production of the world goes up to pre-war conditions.

NOW IT IS KICKLESS WINE

We have had kickless beer for some time, and some people drink it. Really, it is good. But many people say they do not like the taste of it. What they really miss is the kick in it. If it were actually a matter of taste, the difference in the taste between alcoholic beer is far less than the difference between one alcoholic beer and another. Of the old beers it was said, "They are all good, but some are better." The same thing would be true of the new beers if what people wanted was the taste. Perhaps that will be so when people begin looking for the taste again.

Now comes a new problem as to the public taste, which will be of even more interest to Fresno and to California in general. Advertisements are made announcing "kickless" wine. It is alleged to be made just like wine, out of wine grapes, and to look like wine, lacking nothing but the alcohol. The interests manufacturing this wine have acquired large vineyard properties in California, including some in Fresno county, and if they can induce the American people to consume it in any considerable quantities, the only place to produce much of it will be in California. The only limit to the market for such a product is the extent to which the American people can be induced to drink it. And that depends on whether what they wanted in the wine was the taste or the kick. The answer to that psychological question may make a difference of many millions of dollars to Fresno county and to California in general.

FEDERALIZING IRELAND

England has tardily learned, at least in theory, the lesson that the way to deal with independent peoples under one sovereignty is the American plan of a federated nation. In America, the states are sovereign except to the extent that they have conceded sovereignty over certain matters to the national government. The have their own executive, legislative and judicial departments; and they make and administer their own laws; in all the ordinary internal affairs of life they conduct themselves as independent nations. In spite of this, the national authority of the central government has been growing and there is no more vigorously nationalistic institution in the world than the government of the United States of America. We have demonstrated that state sovereignty and national unity are not inconsistent and that they may operate helpfully as organs of the same nation. England recognizes this in theory and proposes to apply it to Ireland.

The trouble is that the application is far from complete. It is proposed to make of Ireland neither one state nor two. Northern Ireland is to have one legislature and Southern Ireland another, but there

is to be a third body whose chief function apparently is to induce both the others to merge themselves in it. If this effort fails, the general body is useless; if it succeeds, the separate bodies are useless. In either case, Ireland remains something more than a state and something less than a nation. Ireland will still be represented in the British parliament which will continue to be the local legislature for all the parts of Great Britain except Ireland. Scotland and Wales will not have separate legislatures and Ireland will. Ireland will have a vote in making the laws of Scotland, but Scotland will have no vote in making the laws of Ireland, except such laws as are imperial laws. The system is fundamentally inconsistent and must therefore develop in the direction of one or the other of its inconsistencies. The American scheme is not yet adopted in practice nor the plan may or may not work. As a solution of the problem, it will not hear analysis.

SOLDIER CANDIDATES

General Pershing's home town is booming him for President, and if we were to judge the present by the past, it would be a boom to be taken seriously. After every previous war we have got our President out of its commanding general. Unless there has been some essential change, this would be the natural result now.

But evidently there has been an essential change. For instance, in all previous wars the soldiers enthusiastically voted for their general. At this time it seems to be conceded that the soldiers would not vote for General Pershing. Not that Pershing failed as a commander. Quite the contrary. He made a brilliant success and did magnificent work. No small part of the credit for the record of the American expeditionary force is due to him personally. But in a modern war the commanding general is likely to be about as popular with the private soldiers as the president of a railroad is with the brakemen, and for the same reason. Modern war is a business, and the commanding officer is its general manager, located at headquarters and operating the war by push buttons and telephones. He cannot and must not yield to the temptation of spectacular heroism or dramatic personal leadership. The only American above the rank of brigadier general seriously wounded during the war was Major General Leonard Wood, and he received his wound during a brief trip to France as an observer at the front. It is a strange paradox that the only high American officer who got the chance to risk his life was the only one who was not permitted to "fight" at the front.

All these things are to General Pershing's credit as a soldier. But they are not political assets. They do not put the soldier vote behind him and they do not appeal to the civilian imagination. General Pershing is regarded as an efficient manager of armies, just as Charles M. Schwab is recognized as an efficient manager of steel mills. We admire the ability of such men, but we do not make them Presidents.

GERMANS CENSOR THEMSELVES

If the German educational authorities carry out their present plan, there will be no field of boycotting German books, or the German language in America. All we will need to do is to admit to American libraries whatever books the Germans permit in German school libraries, and we shall be safe at least against the old sort of propaganda.

The Board of Education of Berlin is reported as having decided on a thorough cleaning of the libraries of all the high schools and to remove all books "contradictory to the new spirit of the times." This will bar all books of chauvinistic, imperialistic, militaristic, nationalistic, monarchistic or anti-Semitic character from the school libraries. This, it will be seen, does not bar books of socialistic or radical tendencies, of which our American heresy-hunters are even more afraid, but we can trust to our own censors to keep those out, whether in German or in any other language. The German censorship, if these reports are true, will keep out all the other sort of books that have been feared as dangerous.

It will be interesting to discover whether among the books thus barred from German libraries as too pro-German will be the Encyclopedia Britannica, book, written in England, for Englishmen, treats the old Germany with a degree of consideration which the new Germany will not permit even to its own people. The old propaganda has given way to the new anti-propaganda. The Encyclopedia Britannica of course is neither. It belongs to the pre-propaganda age of five years ago when there was still a republic of letters and science. As such it will probably have to survive until that republic is restored to the world, which will probably not be in this generation. One of the things which the war destroyed was precisely that spirit of disinterested detachment which made for sound scholarship. Imperialistic propaganda had nearly destroyed that. Imperialistic propaganda will obstruct its revival now, in Germany or anywhere. The new propaganda is at least better than the old. The era of no propaganda was for our predecessors and will be for our successors. For us it is a memory and an anticipation.

"Unlike ninety-nine army officers out of a hundred, rank has no meaning for General George W. Goethals when he is on the job," says James Hay, Jr., in People's Magazine for December. "Famous for his quickness of decision and gifted with an admirable facility for picking subordinates able to do the jobs assigned to them, he is a firm believer in 'democracy of effort.' In all his army experience, officers were simply men to whom he could say what he thought, and from whom he expected what they thought—and inferiority, or superiority, of rank was not a factor in the situation. Frankness, brutal frankness at times, was the key to which discussion of the job was timed."

The state of war existing between the Spanish Government and the villagers of the Wad Ras district, near the international zone around Tangier, has been emphasized frequently by heavy Spanish casualties. A gloomy picture of the condition of the international zone itself is drawn. All beneficent or charitable work has been prevented by the many international jealousies prevailing at Tangier. Justice for the natives is a farce. There are no hospitals, no medical staff, no serious shortage of water exists. Work is scarce, prices high; the existence of the poor Moslems amid surroundings of dirt and squalor is pitiable.

An ambitious program for the enlargement of the field of intellectual, moral, commercial and political activity for the women of Brazil, through campaigns to be inaugurated by the recently organized Alianca Feminina, is announced by Senhora Amalia Rodrigues, poet of the state of Bahia and a leader in the feminist movement. Senhora Rodrigues, who is now in Rio de Janeiro to establish headquarters for the new organization, declares the Alianca already has many adherents among Brazilian society, both in the Federal capital and in the Brazilian states.

There was an old woman who lived in a shoe,
But she took a terrible jump,
And so she moved out with her numerous crew
To live in a bungalow pump.

More Truth Than Poetry

By James J. Montague



WE CANNOT SING THE OLD SONGS

When poets praised the amber draught
Whose depths were bright with bubbles headed,
Before they wrote they always quailed
The inspiration that they needed.
To write of blushing Hippocrene
The gentle Johnny Keats was able,
Because he used to keep—we ween—
A bottle on his writing table.
And, after getting nicely lit
Small task it was to sing of it.

The most robustous dinner song
That chanted the delights of drinking
And stirred an incandescent throng
To set their crystal glasses clinking,
Was written by some toping poet
Who with the brew had freely mingled;
No stuff like that he ever wrote
Except when he was nicely jingled.
No man could sing the joys of thirst
Excepting when he had one first.

And therefore pop and ginger ale
Will have no harp to hymn their praises;
No lards iced lemonade will hail,
With glowing words and lifting phrases,
Although perchance a man may learn
In time, (if he persists) to love them
A poet's heart will never burn
To sing the metric praises of them.
It is the kick within the bowl
That wakes the singer's glowing soul!

MORE THAN ONE IS ALWAYS A LUXURY

Turkey is imposing a luxury tax, and the Sultan is hastening to get rid of a couple of hundred of his wives.

PROPHETIC SOULS

Now we begin to understand why political grafters have always referred to swag as "sugar."

AS OMAR SHOULD HAVE SAID

"We often wonder what the ginnills buy
One half as deadly as the stuff they sell."

FOUR MILLION SERVICE MEN TO RECEIVE THIS VICTORY MEDAL

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 25—

Some 4,500,000 American soldiers and sailors soon are to receive the Victory Medal—tribute of a grateful nation to all the men in uniform who aided in crushing German ambition to dominate the world.

The National Geographic Magazine, in its Military Insignia Number, publishes the first authorized illustration of the medal as adopted by the United States government and furnishes the following description and history of its adoption, by Col. R. E. Willis of the General Staff, U. S. A.:

"During the spring of 1918, while hostilities were still at their height, the different allies and associated nations agreed to adopt a medal which would be the same for all, to commemorate the great war."

"This plan has two advantages: in the first place, it is a symbol of the union and solidarity of purpose which animated the countries fighting against Germany and her allies; secondly, it obviates the necessity of following the practice of exchanging service medals."

"In previous wars it had been customary for nations to bestow their war medals on the personnel of their allies who were attached to them, or associated with them, in different campaigns and engagements. The immensity of the operations in this war, the millions of soldiers engaged therein, and the intermingling of large units under one command, all point to the impossibility of such a procedure in this instance. But by the adoption of a medal, the same for all, it would be unnecessary, since no matter in what army a man served the medal would be alike to all those who were associated with them in campaigns and engagements. The immensity of the operations in this war, the millions of soldiers engaged therein, and the intermingling of large units under one command, all point to the impossibility of such a procedure in this instance. 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—Children's \$4.50 scuffers in tan, brown, black and smoked elk. Button or blucher style. Some have low flat heels. The nature shoe last for children's feet. Give toes lots of room. Sizes up to No. 2
\$2.98

Women's Boots \$7.69

—Women's all black kid lace boots. Made over a long vamp last with full Louis leather heels. Clever boots for dress wear. All sizes and widths, regular \$9.50 values; sale price
\$7.69

Our After-Christmas Sale!

All Coats, Suits and Dresses Marked Down!

—Many of these Coats, Suits and Dresses are now less than half their original prices! Hundreds of fine garments are included. Beautiful mid-season styles in all fashionable materials and colors. Every garment a wonderful value at the prices we've put on them to clear them out before January 1st.



Coats In Five Lots:—

Lot 1—Coats
 Worth to \$24.75
\$13.99

—Splendid coats made of fancy cloths with large fur or plush collars. Belted and half belted styles. All sizes, were priced to \$24.75, choice
\$13.99

Lot 3—Coats
 Worth to \$59.75
\$39.75

—Beautiful coats in fancy silvertone, velour, evora cloth and plush. Long loose-line models in a big range of shades, were priced to \$59.75, at
\$39.75

Lot 2—Coats
 Worth to \$39.75
\$22.75

—Velour cloth coats, plush coats, coats in fancy cloths and silvertone cloth, loose or fitted models with large fur collars. Fancy lined. Values to \$39.75
\$22.75

Lot 4—Coats
 Worth to \$98
\$59.75

—Stunning models with large Hudson Seal collars. Belted, fancy models and all the beautiful cloths of the season. Values \$89.00 and \$98.00 for
\$59.75

Lot 5—Coats
 Worth to \$149.75
\$79.50

—Model coats, one of a kind, the season's choicest garments with large Racoon or Hudson Seal collars, and self collars, were priced \$125 to \$149, choice
\$79.50

\$24.75 Dresses at \$14.75

—Serge Dresses that were priced up to \$24.75, made of fine serge in navy blue. Big range of styles, marked for after-Christmas clearance
\$14.75

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—Handsome Tricotine Dresses in navy blue. Season's most popular styles. Long-line effects and tailored dresses, that were priced at \$39.75, now priced at
\$24.75

Girls' Coats

—Girls' coats in sizes 7 to 9 years only. Smart midseason styles made of heavy fancy cloths. Values to \$5.98
\$3.98

—Girls' warm coats in sizes 9 to 14 years. Fine materials in colors of navy blue, Burgundy and brown. Smart styles worth to \$12.50, at
\$7.98

—Fancy coats in corduroy, velvet, fancy cloths and velour. Beautiful styles worth to \$15.00
\$8.98



Clearance of Odd Lots

—Odd lots and slightly soiled garments at a mere fraction of value.

—Toques and stocking caps, all shades and combinations
25c

—Girls' gingham dresses, sizes 2 to 5 years
59c

—Dresses of wash serge in green and red, made high waist, pleated skirt, belt and pockets, trimmed with white braid
89c

—A few girls' and boys' hats are left, priced for clearance 69c to \$1.98

—Girls' coats in broadcloth, Velvets, and Melton cloths, sizes 2 to 6 years
\$5.98

—Infant's silk poplin bonnets, ribbon trimmed, special at
69c

—Gingham creepers in pink and blue checks, trimmed with braid to match. Button across the crotch. Sizes 6 mos. one and two years 98c

---After-Xmas Sweater Sale

At \$14.75

—Women's coat sweaters trimmed with fancy belts and buttons, in colors of blue, brown, green and rose
\$14.75

At \$12.75

—Girls' ripple coat sweaters with rolled collars and crocheted buttons. Colors: rose, cerise, blue, salmon, and tan
\$12.75

At \$12.50

—Fancy alpaca sweaters in beautiful patterns, now and staple shades, \$16.50 values
\$12.50

At \$4.98

—Women's snugglers trimmed with ribbon and fancy colored edges. Colors, white, gray and black
\$4.98

At \$10.75

—Children's coat sweaters with fancy buttons and pretty belts. Colors: American beauty, and blue
\$10.75

After-Xmas Prices On Drapery Materials

Scrim, 25c

—Colored bordered scrim, serviceable quality in several good patterns. 36 inches wide, yard
25c

Scrim Curtains \$1.69

—Scrim curtains, plain, hemstitched side and bottom. Cream color only. 2 1/4 yards long. Special, pair
\$1.69

Couch Covers \$3.48

—Couch covers, large enough for the average couch. Small hem at each end. We have a limited quantity to sell at this special price
\$3.48

Fancy Cretonnes
69c

—Cretonnes, selling regularly up to 35c a yard, suitable for fancy work, cushions and side drapes. All 36 inches wide, yard
69c

Marquissette, Yard
45c

—Marquissette, excellent quality, hand and imitation borders. Colors: White, zebra or ivory. 36 inches wide, yard
45c

\$7.98 Blouses Now Priced \$3.98

---Dainty Colors

---Sizes 36 Up to Extra Sizes 54

—After Christmas offering in Georgette and Crepe de chine blouses, made of excellent material. Wide variety of styles and colors. Embroidered and beaded, all with original touches in trimmings, some have the vestee front, with roll collar, some are collarless. Colors: white, flesh and dark shades. Sizes 36 to 54, values to \$7.98
\$3.98

Middy Blouses
\$1.75

—Middy Blouses of cotton serge, trimmed with white tape, slip-over style, tailored pockets, and finished with large black tie
\$1.75

Flannel Middies
\$6.98

—Trimmed with tape braid, yoke models laced, or slip-over, with patch or tailored pockets, sizes 8 to 22
\$6.98



Furs Reduced

Fox Scarf
\$69.50

—Brown Fox Scarf with large tail, fancy silk lined.

Wolf Scarf
\$59.75

—In black and brown. Silk lined, a beautiful fur.

Fur Capes
\$69.75

—In Coney fur, deep rolled collar, beautifully silk lined. Some are fastened at waist with belts.

Kiddies Fur Sets
\$12.50

—In white angora—also in brown beaver.

Fur Sets
\$5.98

—White Iceland fur sets—satin lined.

Fur Sets
\$14.75

—Coney fur sets in dark colors.

Bedding and Domestic At After-Christmas Pricings

Daisy Flannel
32 1-2c

—27 inch Amoskeag daisy flannel in plain gray only. On sale at less than wholesale, at yard
32 1/2c

Kimono Flannels
35c

—Now is the time to buy these flannels for house jackets. On sale at yard
35c

Woolnap Blankets
\$5.00

—Nashua woolnap—blankets, size 64x76, special at
\$5.00
 ---MAIN FLOOR

\$10 Table Cloths \$6.49

—Round-scalloped cloths, size 72x72 in Chrysanthemum, ivy and scroll patterns. \$10.00 quality
\$6.49

Reg. \$12.50 Comforts
\$8.49

—These Comforters have a silk top and silkline bottom, filled with new carded cotton; \$12.50 values
\$8.49

\$7.98 Blankets For Only
\$6.59

—Edmond Mills fancy colored blankets in Indian and floral patterns; our \$7.98 quality
\$6.59

Embroidered Cases, Pair
\$2.18

—Our entire stock of embroidered Day Cases, hemstitched and scalloped, on sale today at
\$2.18

Sheet Blankets
\$2.69

—Nashua Sheet Blankets in gray and tan; size 60x76, at
\$2.69
 ---MAIN FLOOR

Children's Hats, 25c

—These hats were formerly priced \$1.98 to \$3.98—all velvet hats trimmed in ribbon. Most any color.

Trimmed Hats, One-Half Price

—All our Trimmed Hats—with the exception of new mid-season styles just received—will be on sale today at just half off the regular prices. Many beautiful models to choose from. Come early for first choice.

Second Floor Bargains

\$3.00 Gowns at \$1.98

—Women's flannellette gowns, heavy quality, well made, tailored or yoke styles. Trimmed or plain, and in white or colors. Regular sizes. There are values to \$2.00 in this lot
\$1.98

Petticoats at 69c

—Flannellette petticoats slightly soiled, full length, made of striped flannellette, today for
69c

\$12.75 Sweaters at \$9.98

—Sweaters in ripple effect. Colors, Ocean blue and tan. Black cord finishing at neck, waist line and sleeve. Regular \$12.75 values, special
\$9.98

\$2.98 Aprons at \$1.50

—500 Aprons ranging from \$1.98 to \$2.98, made with large pockets, size full and correct; now on sale at
\$1.50

Bath Robes at \$3.98

—Women's or Misses' Bath Robes of soft material, satin or stitched finish. Colors navy blue, gray, lavender. Sizes 36 to 44; regular \$5.00 values at
\$3.98

Petticoats at \$2.98

—Petticoats made of all silk pussy willow in a big range of shades, \$4.98 values at
\$2.98

Sweaters \$4.98

—Slip-on sweaters in Robin's egg blue, American beauty and purple, with contrasting hair line stripes. Ripple skirt effect. Also styles with fitted elastic waist line. These are in king's blue, special
\$4.98

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LUDENDORFF'S OWN STORY

TROTSKY PLAYED WITH SEASONED
GERMAN AND AUSTRIAN DIPLOMATS AT
BREST-LITOVSK, SAYS LUDENDORFF

Germans Needed Baltic Lands and Feared Growth of
Bolshevism There if They Withdrew—Trotsky
Appealed Directly to German People

ENDLESS TALK AT BREST-LITOVSK HAD
BAD EFFECT ON THE GERMAN ARMY

Because of the differences between the German army command and the
Berlin and Austrian governments the peace parley at Brest-Litovsk, in the
winter of 1917-18, brought great disappointments to the Germans. They
were divided in their councils and so failed to get results.

Not only was the Berlin government fearful of angering the radicals at
home, but it was swayed by the ambitions of the various German states.
Prussia wanted not only the Baltic states, but control of Russia Poland
and a "defensive zone" to the east of the Vistula River. Austria insisted
that if the Hohenzollerns were to grab the Baltic lands she should have a
prince under her control in Warsaw. Bavaria, Saxony and Wurtemberg
also demanded shares in the loot.

Trotsky took advantage of these quarrels to delay the negotiations and
meanwhile spread his propaganda in Germany. Ludendorff, resenting the
activities of the Bolsheviks and also desperately anxious to prepare for the
campaign in France, insisted that a settlement should be reached.

BY GENERAL ERICH LUDENDORFF

In the meantime (Jan. 5, 1918) the
peace negotiations recommenced at
Brest. The people were somewhat
curious to see whether the Russians
would return. They came under the
leadership of Trotsky. They came un-
der compulsion. The dissolution of
their army was progressing rapidly;
it was in a state of utter disorganiza-
tion and wanted peace.

Our military position was, there-
fore, as favorable as could be imagi-
ned; it was not even necessary for us
to "act" as the Entente and Ger-
many. We had merely to enforce our
simple demands with clearness and
decision.

We made extensive concessions to
the principle of self-determination.
We dropped our contention that the
people of the occupied countries, the
Czechs and Lithuanians, had already
permitted to avail themselves
of this right, and allowed the inha-
bitants to be consulted again. All we
demanded was that the Entente take
into consideration the fact that the
people would exercise their right
afterwards.

Would Not Leave Baltic
Fearing Invasion by Bolsheviks

To evacuate the country was a
military absurdity; we needed it for
our existence and had no mind to
deliver it up to unscrupulous Bolshe-
vism. We declined to evacuate it on
military grounds, quite apart
from the fact that no exercise of the
right of self-determination was possi-
ble under the Bolsheviks.

On both these questions the Ger-
mans and Austrians were in accord
and now, perhaps, the view of the
Entente, if we had left the country
to the armed forces of the Bolsheviks
would long ago have been in Ger-
many. They were not the least inter-
ested in the right of self-determina-
tion. They were politicians who govern
by violence, and assumed that the
territory evacuated by us would fall
into their hands without further trou-
ble. They were, moreover, nation-
ally minded. The Entente looked upon
the evacuation of Courland, Lithuania
and Poland—self-determination not-
withstanding—as a measure hostile to
Russia.

Austria-Hungary had by far the
greatest interest in the exercise of
the right of self-determination. In
Poland at the expense of Russia. The
Dual Monarchy hoped to gain politi-
cal and economic strength from Po-
land.

Had to Support Turks

The Turks wanted Baku and Kara-
both of which had belonged to the
Turkish Empire for a very long time.
For us these wishes were of subordi-
nate importance, but it was part of
our duty as an ally to insist upon them.

Our purely military demands were
so insignificant that they hardly
counted. The demobilization was al-
ready making excellent progress; and
we had not demanded the surrender
of arms or ships.

We did not ask for Estonia or
Livonia, although we would have been
glad to deliver our fellow-Germans
and the other Baltic states from Bol-
shevism. This demand was not made,
although it was down for discussion
and became a military necessity
against Bolshevism. Peace was not
delayed by our demands, but merely
by the revolutionary aims of the Bol-
shevists, and by want of resolution
in our delegates, as well as by the
attitude of Germany and Austria,
where the people, being ignorant of
the world, did not understand the in-
ner meaning of the Russian Revolution.

When on one occasion General
Hoffmann adopted a more uncompro-
miting attitude in order to abbreviate
the negotiations for military reasons
and to restrict Trotsky's propaganda
at the same time, there was a storm
of indignation in the German and
Austro-Hungarian papers, and in all those others which
like the propaganda of the Entente,
talked incessantly of peace by under-
standing.

Trotsky Aided by Germans

In these circumstances Trotsky
would have been a fool to have given
in on any point; but he was far too
clever and energetic for that. His tone
became more and more provoking, al-
though he had no real power behind
him; his demands became more and
more insistent. He threatened to with-
draw the Russian delegates on ac-
count of lack of sincerity on the part
of the German and Austrian repre-
sentatives, and had the satisfaction
of being requested to desist from this
intention, which he can never seri-
ously have entertained.

Trotsky and the Entente were de-
lighted with the prolongation of the
negotiations; the former took every
opportunity of delaying them; he even
suggested transferring them to a
neutral locality. He proclaimed his Bol-
shevism by wireless to all the
world, particularly to the German
working classes. The intention of the
Bolsheviks to revolutionize and de-
stroy Germany became more and
more obvious to every one who was
not totally blind.

Burned with Impatience

The negotiations made no progress;
moreover, by the way they were be-
ing carried on at Brest we should
not only never arrive at peace, but
would undoubtedly bring about a fur-
ther fall in our fighting capacity.
All this time I was at Kreuznach,
burning with impatience, and urging
General Hoffmann to hurry on the
negotiations. He was well aware of
the military necessity, but his posi-
tion did not allow him to interfere
with effect.

On January 18 Trotsky went to
Petrograd, where the Bolsheviks dis-
solved the Constituent Assembly. In
that way they showed the world their
idea of freedom of the people. But

the Germans would neither see nor
learn.

Trotsky had said he would be away
only six days; he did not return until
the 30th.

On January 23, at my request, the
Field Marshal Frunze, one of the
leaders of the women's movement,
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say" about the education of the chil-
dren. He decides as to their future,
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Would Leave Household
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For Rights

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and ideas of Dutch women for cen-
turies confined to children, kitchen
and church, have undergone a
change, and the daughters of the
land of windmills and canals are
making a strong fight for their
rights.

Several great organizations have
been formed for improvement of the
conditions of women. With the re-
vision of the Dutch constitution last
year, women obtained full suffrage
and the result is that now there are
women in nearly every town council.
Idealizing, however, that the pos-
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10,000,000 ROUNDS FIRED BY MARINES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Ten mil-
lion rounds of ammunition were
fired by United States Marines on
rifle ranges in the last eleven months,
according to the report of the Inspec-
tor of Rifle Practice, given out today
at Marine Corps Headquarters here.

This is the answer to the question,
Why are Marines always crack-
shots? which has been asked over
and over again by their opponents at
recent military matches when they
saw the "sea soldiers" walk away
with most of the trophies.

Nineteen thousand of the 21,000
men who fired qualified as marksmen
or better. In 1918, so far, Marines
fired on ranges in ten foreign coun-
tries and possessions as follows: Ire-
land, Siberia, China, France, Ger-
many, Cuba, Santo Domingo, Haiti,
the Azores and Nicaragua. And in 19
states, territories and possessions of
our own country.

FRIENDS SEND OUT.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., Dec. 25.—
A commission of six has been sent to
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News From Central California Towns

PLAN TO SAVE TULARE WATER

Unit of Conservation Association Plans Survey of Resources

TULARE, Dec. 25.—With a constitution and by-laws ready to be presented to the organization committee early in the new year, Tulare county is actively at work on the task of making effective the San Joaquin Valley Water Conservation and Development association which was organized in Tulare, October 24, following the water conference called by the Board of Trade of the city of Tulare in September. The expressed purpose of the county unit is to secure adequate protection for the rights of lands now under irrigation; make provision for the betterment of the distribution of water; and for the conservation of the water supply. Tulare county land now without an adequate water supply may have that supply increased and that lands now without water may be brought under irrigation.

The first steps to be taken by the county unit will be to wage a campaign of education to show to water users that their present rights will be protected and to show to all the citizens of the county that the betterment of irrigation conditions will be of material and direct benefit to everyone in the county, whether rancher or not, so that the membership in the organization may include all the elements of the community.

In order that a proper system of conserving and distributing the water may be made, the state engineers and United States Geological Survey departments will be asked to assist and the commercial organizations of the county are adopting resolutions to be presented to the county officials, together with the assistance of the county president, W. Tyler, of Lindsay, county president, is securing from the state and government authorities all available data on the run off of streams in the county, water rights, and the government figures on underground flow. As soon as these figures are in the hands of the county unit, an estimate will be made of the further work that will be needed to complete the record of the water supply and the cost of completing the work and locating available reservoir sites will be ascertained.

With the work to be done mapped out and the cost known, the county unit will raise funds, with the assistance of the state and the nation, to make a comprehensive survey of the whole situation and from the survey work out the best possible system of irrigation for the county. This system will be passed upon by a number of independent irrigation engineers before the actual construction begins.

While members of the organization committee realize that much time will be necessary for the completion of their task, they are working on the basis that the sooner action is commenced the better the results will be completed and that the increased production will make the venture most profitable to the residents of the county. At the January meeting, much records will have been made with the assistance of the committee and plans for securing that other facts necessary before any real irrigation plan can be commenced, will be made.

RECOVERS FROM SERIOUS WOUNDS

SANGER, Dec. 25.—Victor Hatching, who was badly cut by a moving machine some weeks ago, when the team hitched to it ran away while he was working in front of the knife, has returned to his home after being in a hospital for treatment most of the time. The boy, who is acquainted with the case, says that it has been one requiring unusual skill, and that the results show that only such skill could have saved his leg from amputation. It is not known whether another operation may be necessary or not, but before he will be completely restored, Victor is one of the high school alumni of the class of 1919.

Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Rice left for Los Angeles early Wednesday morning to spend the holidays with relatives in the city. They expect to return the latter part of next week, being away over one Sunday, for which arrangements have been made already.

Major H. A. Wishard has just received notice that his brother-in-law, H. O. Weaver of Wapello, Iowa, has been elected vice-president of the American Shorthorn Cattle Association. He is reputed to own the best herd of short horns in this country. Arrangements are being made for the program of the conference and school of management, which will be held at the Y. M. C. A. building, some of the visitors are expected to arrive here on Monday to make any final arrangements that may be found necessary. Mr. Mueller, of Redley, the Fresno county secretary, is in charge of the arrangements, and will make fuller announcement of the program later on.

The vacancy in the high school faculty made by the resignation of Miss Rhoda McRae has been filled by the election of Miss Ruth Grayhill, who expects to be here ready for work when school opens next week.

The Baptists have purchased the residence of A. L. Tipton located near the corner of Eighth and C streets, and expect to use it as their parsonage. It is hoped that the pulp it may be filled early in the new year, and a use thus found for their new property.

Farm Adviser Will Lecture to Grange

DINUBA, Dec. 25.—County Farm Adviser Connor will be in Dinuba Saturday afternoon, under auspices of the Dinuba Grange. He will lecture on the propagation of plants, trees, and vines, and will dwell especially upon the process of making and starting cuttings. He will give practical demonstrations of the work, and the lecture is expected to be one of great value, so that the Grange is opening the meeting to the public, and hopes for a large attendance.

Miss Katherine Wolfenden of Oakland returned yesterday to her home after a visit of several days with the family of W. B. Nichols and other friends in Dinuba. Miss Nichols was a teacher in the local high school several years, and has many personal friends. She now teaches in the Oakland high school.

LADIES' AID GIVES RECEPTION

SHAFER, Dec. 25.—The last meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society was held at the home of Miss Clara Ackman and Miss Scatter, and was the occasion of a farewell reception to Mesdames C. R. Patterson, Mary Goodrich, J. E. Goodrich and Max Goodrich, all of whom leave very soon for homes near Grand Rapids, Michigan. The occasion of the society since its organization, was presented with a silver pie knife, and together with the other honorees was given a postcard shower as a remembrance from their friends, who sincerely regret to have them leave. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. E. H. DeQuine.

Mrs. T. W. Roe and sons returned Monday from a short visit with relatives and friends in Los Angeles and vicinity.

Dr. and Mrs. W. V. Ramsey of Shafter stopped over for a short stay enroute to the southern part of the state.

Mrs. M. D. Stoley and children of Los Angeles are spending the Christmas holidays here.

C. R. Patterson, on crutches, returned a few days ago from San Luis Obispo, where he has been since his motor truck accident some time ago.

D. D. Shnek of Arvin will move onto the George W. Tipton ranch soon after Christmas. The Goodrichs, present tenants, are moving immediately to their newly acquired home in Arroyo Grande.

Ralph Thayer, feature in an automobile accident along the highway in the Fruitvale district. An approaching auto drove straight into Mr. Thayer's car, who, in trying to avoid the collision, went into the gutter, receiving the force of the impact.

The rear wheel of the machine was turned around and upset, slightly injuring the driver, who readily admitted full blame for the accident and agreed to pay the damages.

DEFORMED COW MAKES RECORD

WOODLAKE, Dec. 25.—Robert Curtis, recently sent one of his cows, Winford Ora Belle, to W. J. Higdon, a Tulare stockman, to have her tested. In seven days she made 28.57 pounds of butter. This cow has been high testing cow than any other cow known. Curtis has other pure bred Holsteins; in fact, there are only two other herds in the county with a larger number of mature bred cows than the Curtis Grayling farm.

CERES NEWS NOTES
CERES, Dec. 25.—Wayne Baldridge and Charlie Rose came home from southern California, arriving in Ceres Wednesday afternoon, to spend Christmas with their home folks.

Miss Margaret Shuck returned to her home in Ceres to visit her sister, Mrs. Roy Skinner, over Christmas. She will return Sunday evening.

Miss Ethel Turner who teaches in Mariposa county came home last Friday to spend the Christmas vacation with the home folks.

Mrs. L. E. Baker from Coalinga, California, arrived Tuesday to spend the winter at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. L. Baird.

Popular Couple Are United in Wedlock at Fowler Ceremony



MR. AND MRS. C. A. HUDSON
Mrs. Hudson was Miss Mable Houbty of Fowler before her marriage last evening.

POWELL, Dec. 25.—The marriage of two of Fowler's splendid young people, Charles A. Hudson, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hudson, and Miss Mable S. Houbty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Houbty, was solemnized last evening at 7 o'clock in the presence of a large circle of relatives and friends. The ring service was used by Dr. Arthur Hicks, the ring bearer being little Leah Runkman, a niece of the bride. The ceremony was in conformity to the color scheme of pink and white carried out throughout the home for this eventful time.

The bride was handsomely crowned in white satin and georgette and carried a bouquet of white roses and cypresses. Miss Avis Carson played Mendelssohn's "Wedding March" as the young couple took their places in the south parlor beneath a canopy of flowers.

Following the service, a reception was held, when the bride was showered with handsome gifts, followed by a wedding lunch, the bride party being seated at a richly decorated table at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Edgar. The following young couple left for San Francisco to spend several weeks, before establishing a new home on a ranch near Fowler. Among the out-of-town guests at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lewis of Berkeley.

Family at Sanger Celebrates Christmas

SANGER, Dec. 25.—Mr. J. R. Cain, J. J. Edgar, Clarence Edgar and E. J. Edgar, who celebrated Christmas to the full, beginning on Christmas eve with a family Christmas tree at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Edgar. Christmas morning the families took a drive to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cain; at noon Christmas dinner was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Forbes; and in the evening a Christmas supper was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Edgar. The following were guests at the various gatherings: Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cain and daughter, Joybell, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Edgar and daughters, Mabel and Ethel, and sons, Cecil and Joseph, and Miss Julia Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Edgar, and Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Forbes and daughter, Ina May.

Vaughn Henshaw, who is attending Stanford University, is home for the holidays, having reached the first of the week. He expects to remain here through next week, as his school does not reopen until the week following. Vaughn was one of the graduates from the High school at Sanger, and is enjoying his college work very much.

Walter P. Pierson and Zada Goldsmith were united in marriage on Wednesday morning. Mrs. Pierson before her marriage was a member of the Junior class of the High school, and her fiancé was a member of the other school mates, and the faculty, join in wishing her a long and happy married life.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bakesley and family spent Christmas day in Fresno at the home of Mrs. Andrew Sturvant.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Humphreys and family spent Christmas in Carpinteria, between Ventura and Santa Barbara, with Mrs. Humphreys' sister, Mrs. Thurber and her family. They left here by auto on Wednesday morning and expect to be away the rest of the week.

The work of transforming the old Dunn building has been begun by extending the brick work at the rear of the building for several feet, which will make quite a bit of extra room. The local merchants are reporting the busiest season ever in preparation for Christmas trade. Many of them find that they have their trade with some of their staple goods almost if not quite gone.

News Jottings and Personal Notes of Valley Residents

BRIEF MALAGA NOTES

MALAGA, Dec. 25.—Mr. and Mrs. Clifford E. Bagley have returned from their honeymoon to the southern part of the state, visiting Mr. Bagley's sister, Mrs. Frank Taylor and family in San Fernando before returning. Mr. and Mrs. Bagley will not move into their home here until after the holidays.

Mr. Goodrich is at California Hot Springs, where he expects to remain for a time.

Mrs. James J. Briscoe, who has been quite ill for the past week, is slightly recovered.

Mr. Rice and son and daughter of Santa Cruz have come to spend the Christmas holidays with their daughter, Mrs. Stanley Cartwright and family.

Philip Bagley has been a visitor here this week during vacation.

PLAN CHRISTMAS EXERCISES

OROSI, Dec. 25.—Christmas will be fittingly celebrated in the various churches in town. On Christmas eve in each church the Sunday schools will give an entertainment. There will also be the annual treat for the scholars.

Vern De Lar, who is a student at the University of California is spending his Christmas vacation with relatives in town.

Horace May arrived in town Sunday evening from Los Angeles after a several months stay in that city.

Dr. Sarah Pugh and her sister, Miss Sophronia Pugh of Fresno will enjoy the Christmas season with relatives in Orosi.

Howard May, who is a student at the Polytechnic Business College in Oakland is in Orosi for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorin Littlefield have returned from their honeymoon trip which was spent in the southern part of the state and are now settled in their new home in East Orosi.

The high and grammar schools will close Wednesday for the Christmas vacation and will reopen on Monday, January 1.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Stoddard, of British and Spanish in the local high school, will spend the holidays at her home near Los Angeles.

Miss Mary Turney, a member of the grammar school faculty, will enjoy her vacation in southern California.

CALWA CHURCH EXERCISES
CALWA CITY, Dec. 25.—Planning Christmas exercises has been begun and will be rendered by the Sunday school children at the M. E. church tomorrow evening.

T. Marks left recently for Kansas City for a short visit with his brother.

The Calwa grammar school will open Monday, Dec. 29 after two weeks' vacation.

Mrs. H. W. Matthews entertained the K. K. Club at her home recently.

DUNLAP NEWS NOTES

DUNLAP, Dec. 25.—S. C. Evans was in Dunlap a few days ago on his way to Adam Park's place near here, where he is making arrangements for the erection of a saw mill which he now has on the road. He will have it in running order by April 1. He will employ ten or fifteen men when in running order.

Albert Ade, a tractor driver, and Elmer Pew, a high school boy from Visalia, were calling on their many friends here Sunday.

Rev. C. C. Van Gorkom and wife of the Baptist church at Grand brought great cheer to the Indians on their visit to the mission here last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John New of Dunlap passed through Dunlap Sunday to the mountains in quest of a Christmas tree.

A. Bosaw and his sister, of Redley were inspecting his farm near here Sunday.

Mr. H. R. McGee is entertaining her mother, Mrs. Gamble, from Sonoma county, during the holidays.

Mrs. Fern Goldspring came up from Redley and is visiting her mother, Mrs. A. G. Austin.

The grand ball given at Squaw Valley Saturday night was a success. It was held in the store and the music was furnished from Dinuba and was first class.

O. W. Jarvis, land appraiser for the Bank of Sacramento, was in Dunlap Sunday on business.

Miss Thelma Mitchell returned to Dunlap Sunday from Fresno, where she is attending school and will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mitchell.

Laurel Wheeler of Fresno is visiting her brother Mr. Charles Wheeler in Dunlap for a few days.

W. G. Lane and Bird Keller of Sanger was business visitors here Sunday.

YETTEM PERSONALS

YETTEM, Dec. 25.—Rev. Spens of Orosi occupied the pulpit at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening.

Mr. Terzian returned from San Francisco last Saturday after visiting with friends in San Francisco the past four weeks.

N. Davidson has purchased twenty acres in the Eschelon colony near Visalia.

S. Simonian's residence west of town is nearing completion.

Aram Boghosian of Berkeley, Utah, is visiting his old-time friend Dr. S. S. Jenkinson. Mr. Boghosian has large ranch interests in Utah.

The California Associated Raisin Growers completed its work for the season last Saturday having started and shipped out over 35 cars raisins. Mr. Joe Hagopian was superintendent.

ELKS TO HAVE \$75,000 HOME

Plans Are Submitted for Porterville Building; To Begin Soon

PORTERVILLE, Dec. 25.—M. P. Renfro, architect of this place, has submitted preliminary sketches of the proposed Elks' lodge rooms, the plans now being under detailed consideration by the building committee of the order.

The building as planned will be 110 feet in frontage on Main street, and two stories in height. The lower floor will contain lounge, library, billiard hall and other rooms, the lodge meeting place proper, at the southern end of the building being two stories in height, and fitted with organ loft, kitchen, dressing rooms and other conveniences.

The plans will be submitted to the grand lodge, and as soon as approved a start will be made on the financing. The building will cost approximately \$75,000, a start construction to be made when \$40,000 is raised.

CHILDREN GIVEN YULETIDE CHEER

Little Folks of Oilfields See Santa Claus Ride Into Hall in Car

COALINGA, Dec. 25.—One of the most enjoyable social affairs of the yuletide was that of the Christmas tree celebration at the American Petroleum Section 18 club house Tuesday evening. The affair was given by the single and married men without children of their own, and was for the benefit of all the children of American Petroleum company employees. The hall was profusely decorated with pine, holly, mistletoe and other holiday decorations. In the center of the hall stood a large Christmas tree, wonderfully decorated with lights and presents for both young and old. At 7 o'clock the children began to gather at the hall and by 7:30 there were 120 of them, 12 of whom were less than a year of age, all in eager anticipation of having their Christmas tree and in seeing a real Santa Claus.

At 7:30 the program opened consisting principally of recitations by the children, which were interspersed all through the evening's entertainment. Over 50 of the children recited verses and each rendered their respective pieces in a most winsome and delightful manner, doing both credit to themselves and their teachers. The children from Section 18 were given a special training of Mrs. W. H. Lucas, Mrs. W. V. Xue, Mrs. Royal T. C. Roberts and others. Those from Section 5, under Mrs. R. Caparthy, Mrs. Hugh Keegan and Mrs. Lee Woodman, and those from Section 12, under the direction of Mrs. J. W. Grey.

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SELMA, Dec. 25.—On the evening of December 24, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Noble in Stockton, occurred the wedding of Miss Violet Senzary and Mr. Burrows Emery. The home rooms were very attractive in Christmas greens.

Just before the ceremony Mrs. Keams of Stockton rendered a solo. The ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Skinner, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Stockton.

The bride made a very charming picture in her wedding gown of white crepe de chine and bride veil. She carried a shower bouquet of Ophelia roses. A matron of honor, Mrs. H. A. Noble, was attended in white crepe and carried white roses. Mr. Emery was attended by Captain Hest of Sacramento. After the ceremony a supper was served, and later in the evening the happy couple left for a trip to San Francisco.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Emery have many friends in Selma, Miss Senzary having been employed in clerical work at the Luby, McNeil & Luby company and it was there that Mr. Emery, who was assistant manager, Mr. Emery's home is in Boston, but he and his bride will make their future home in Sacramento, where he has a position with the cannery.

Selma people who attended the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. George Nash, Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Shukerford and Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Underwood.

San Joaquin Holds Christmas Exercises

SAN JOAQUIN, Dec. 25.—A Christmas entertainment was given last evening at the new grammar school building, consisting of a large Christmas tree, decorated with lights, which was in charge of the teachers, assisted by Mesdames Devo and Crocker. The school building was filled to overflowing, nearly all residents of the colony being in attendance. All of the children received presents, and there was an immense Christmas tree prettily decorated for the occasion. "Yule, Yule, Yule" of the Republican was Santa Claus, and made it a point to see that none of the little ones were disappointed. Dr. Herman Janes was presented with a silver loving cup by the pioneer residents of the colony. As an added attraction to the scene, the electrolier system of the city was turned on for the first time Christmas eve.

Grand Jury for 1920 Summoned in Madera

MADERA, Dec. 25.—Judge William M. Conley has issued the summons for the 1920 grand jury which is to be called for December 29, at which time the members will organize and prepare for their work after the new year commences. Thirty people have been summoned of whom fourteen are women. From those who have kept in close touch with county affairs it is believed that the jury will have their work in matters to deal with. The following names comprise the jury as called: Harriet O'Neil, Marie J. Chetwood, W. S. Crowder, Lola A. Peterson, J. P. Galester, C. R. Shupe, A. C. H. Strudwick, Sledge, Louise D. Mordele, Freda M. Kegel, Faustina M. Ryan, Lucy A. Krohn, Ollie Brumby, Julia T. Shinn, Frank G. Desmond, James R. Warner, Henry M. Clark, Henry W. Schneider, Carl F. Wentz, Rose M. Ellender, Marie Daulton, Frank Ady, Fremont Westfall, William B. Day, Leta J. McFarland, C. A. Duthimmer, and James Curran.

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KERCKHOFF DAM COMPLETED IN RECORD TIME

Will Impound Water for New Hydro-Electric Plant

Construction Force Is Put to Work on New Power House

The huge Kerckhoff dam, one of the outstanding features of the San Joaquin Light and Power Corporation's new 45,000 horse-power hydro-electric power project on the San Joaquin river below Auberry, was completed Christmas Eve.

In the erection of this massive structure, which is to divert the flow of the main San Joaquin river through two and one-half miles of tunnel driven through a solid granite mountain for electric generating purposes, Construction Engineer R. S. Starr, in charge of the power company's construction department, has achieved a record-breaking accomplishment. On a power project in the west has such rapid headway been made as on the Kerckhoff project of the San Joaquin Light and Power Corporation, and this is due to the efficiency and system of Mr. Starr and his splendid organization.

When it is realized that authority to proceed with the big undertaking was not received until April 25, and that the preliminary work of damming the river bottom to determine the proper location for the dam was not commenced until May 1, some idea is obtained of the stupendous task and the rapidity with which it was accomplished.

Beautiful Kerckhoff Lake formed. The necessity for the completion of the dam before the winter rains was the incentive for the fast-building program. This was successfully accomplished, and when the river rises after the next mountain snow melt, the beautiful Kerckhoff Lake will become a reality and water will pour over the top of the massive dam structure. This will be a sight worth going miles to see—unquestionably one of the scenic attractions of Fresno county.

Actual Work Begun July 8th. Actual work on the dam did not begin until July 8. On the 15th day of August the first concrete for the foundation was poured, and since that time the work of pouring concrete progressed constantly night and day, until finally completed the night before Christmas Eve.

The dam, which is 2,500 feet long, is divided into three temporary openings in the completed section of the dam, and September 15 the water-tight coffer-dam was completed across the river. As completed, the dam contains more than 25,000 cubic yards of concrete. The big tail-race gates which top the dam for the handling of the high water during flood times, are located in position and will be placed in position immediately upon arrival.

Efficient Work of Staff. Construction Engineer Starr gives all credit for the rapid building of the dam to the efficient engineering staff under him. W. A. Wuttmann, general superintendent of the Kerckhoff construction work, was on the dam night and day during the crucial period of its construction. In the Wagner, in charge of the engineering of the dam, and J. D. McDougall, foreman of construction, never left the scene from the time the first work was done until the final completion. Will Rush, power house.

Construction of the dam now having been terminated, the big forces of men at this point have been transferred to the power house site, several miles below. The camp for the construction force, which is now the tunnel workers are being removed from this camp for shipment to the scene of the company's tremendous new undertaking on the Kings river, which is to begin next year.

Fast Work on Tunnel. Work is progressing very rapidly on the tunnel. All five headings are working full speed ahead night and day, and between 55 and 70 feet of tunnel is being driven daily. The three and one-half miles of tunnel is expected to be completed in about 18 months. The tunnel is 17 feet by 7 1/2 feet in dimensions, and the enormity of this drilling task is only conceived by the proper relation of these figures. The handling of the rock is being done with steam shovels, and electrically driven railway trains in the tunnels themselves.

Machinery Enroute from the East. Construction Engineer Starr and his staff are now concentrating their energies on the completion of the power house and the tunnel line. All materials for the power house have been manufactured and now are enroute from the east.

"Everything will be in readiness to generate power in the Kerckhoff power house as soon as the last bit of the tunnel line is driven," said Mr. Starr yesterday. "Of course, the tunnel line is the determining feature. We cannot use the power house until the water is available. We are very well pleased with the progress of the work to date. Everything is progressing smoothly, and we want to finish the big job ahead of schedule, time if possible."

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 25. — Theft of jewelry valued at \$5,000 was reported to the police today by J. E. Hafner, who said that during the absence of his family last night burglars entered the home and rifled several trunks containing valuables. Hafner said he had just returned from the East, where he settled the estate of his brother, and the jewelry had come to him from the estate.

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Y. M. Y. W. to Have Party on New Year's

Plans are being made for an all-day New Year's party to be held by the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. at the building of the former. A program is being arranged by those in charge.

Several events are planned for the coming week at the meeting of the religious work council and some informal parties for the girls.

CHARTER ACTION WITH NEW YEAR

Trustees to Take Definite Steps at Their Next Meeting

With the opening of the new year the big thing before the city board of trustees will be the calling of an election on a new city charter, and last night Mayor W. P. Toomey said that he anticipated the board would take some definite action at the next meeting on January 5.

Unless the trustees wish to hold the election on a new charter coincident with the general election there is no special time limit in which action must be taken, said Lewis H. Smith, former city attorney, last night. Mr. Smith was one of the principal speakers at the charter mass meeting held December 17 in the city hall.

At that meeting of the advocates of a new charter a resolution was passed, as follows:

"It is the sense of this meeting that there be submitted to the electors of the city of Fresno two sets of amendments, one of which shall embody the commission form of government and the other shall embody the manager form. This will be one of the features of the board to be discussed at the meeting of the board on January 5. Which ever form is submitted by the trustees, the alternate form will be embodied in a petition from the electors."

Murray Anticipates No Lighting Change

Trustee George S. Waterman wants more than that in to say, he wants it earlier in the evening. He has brought the matter to the attention of the board of city trustees twice, seeking to have the street lights turned on at an earlier time in the evening.

Clarence Murray, city engineer, to whom the lighting committee, the matter was referred, does not believe that he can help Mr. Waterman. He said last night that the committee had taken no action so far as he knew, in the matter, and he did not anticipate any change in the present schedule.

"The light is on now at fifteen or twenty minutes after sundown," said the city engineer, "which is about eighteen minutes after 5 o'clock, and if any change is to be gained by turning them on earlier."

Program Follows High Mass at Church

High mass was celebrated at the Church of Our Lady of Victory yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, following which a musical program was given under the direction of Miss Catherine Bates. Cantor R. A. Patton was organist, with Miss Malibis and Miss Marguerite Battis as soloists.

Government Supply Sale Reopens Today

Sales of government provisions and general supplies will re-open this morning at 9 o'clock at the City Auditorium, and the fire department salesmen will be on the job until 5 o'clock this evening.

QUIET CHRISTMAS SPENT AT Y. W.

A quiet Christmas was spent at the Young Women's Christian Association yesterday, a few girls of the city dropping in for a while during the day, with Misses Maude and Aurora Wolf, Miss Elizabeth Stone, and Misses Angie Reinhardt acting as hostesses. Gifts were given to the guests. Several of the residence girls spent Christmas at the Association, also.

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WHAT WILL U. S. NOSE COUNT SHOW?

Speculation on Census Figures Agitate Boosters

Question of Population Will Be Settled in Month

What is the population of Fresno today?

Has this city through the wonderful development of the surrounding territory and the consequent phenomenal prosperity which has accrued, passed over the 50,000 mark?

These mooted questions, of interest alike to boosters and investors, will be definitely answered during the next thirty days with the completion of the federal census, on which the federal work begins January 2.

All unofficial estimates based on school enrollment, directory figures, water connections and the data collected by governmental bureaus, regarded universally as very fair and approximately correct methods of arriving at the population, places the Fresno "count of noses" at from 62,000 to 65,000.

Each has been little more than a guess, though the basis of calculations are there in the country over. Here they are:

Directory figures: 1914, 45,323; 1915, 51,111; 1916, 47,200; 1918, 52,237; and 1919, 52,244.

The last telephone directory estimate was 55,000. The City Water company figures are 62,000, while the postoffice estimate places the population at 62,000. All these figures cover the incorporated city and its environs.

The last official estimate was made by the census bureau in 1917, when it was asserted that Fresno had a population of 36,314 on July 1 of that year.

The government census of 1910 gave the number of persons resident within the incorporated limits of the city at 21,532. "This, based on the latest estimates, Fresno has added 20,000 to its population in a decade, or a percentage increase of approximately 150 per cent. The current census will be taken at a time when the rush of newcomers, a great majority of them permanent or prospectively permanent residents to Fresno, has created a great shortage of housing accommodations and with the result that the population is said to be at the highest peak in the city's history."

But from the official side, there is one great drawback which will probably prevent the federal figures from underestimating the favorable conditions, from evaluating the most conservative estimates. The government figures will include only those persons actually residing within the strict legal confines of the city and will exclude at least two heavily settled districts, which are physically an integral part of the municipality.

These are the district south of California avenue and the district north of Harvey avenue and east of Blackstone. Thomas Anton, who headed the recent annexation campaign in these sections, placed their joint population conservatively at 6,000.

In spite of all the ifs, ands, butts and possibilities in the census situation, it is regarded as highly probable that Uncle Sam's enumerators will find well over 50,000 persons here, but how much over no one will know until Washington officially releases its figures.

Meanwhile the boosters are hoping and the city is growing and Uncle Sam is preparing. Supervisor Rollins, who is in charge of the census work in this district, will soon announce the opening of local offices in preparation for the commencement of the field work on January 2.

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Undertaker to Build New Home

The Powell Undertaking Company is to have a new home at the southwest corner of Coast and Belmont avenues, work on which will start about March 1, according to R. A. Powell. The building will cost approximately \$25,000.

Mr. Powell recently returned from a trip through southern California, where he inspected a number of funeral establishments in order to gather ideas for his Fresno building.

SEWER WORK TO BEGIN SHORTLY

North Fresno Bonds to Be Delivered to Buyers Next Week

Sewer bonds for the north Fresno districts are now being printed, and City Engineer Clarence Murray said last night that it is expected they will be ready for delivery next Wednesday. As soon as the bonds have been completed by the engravers they will be delivered to the Capital National Bank of Sacramento, which bought the issue, and the contractor, H. Gump, will proceed with the sewer contract.

The total bond issue was \$200,000, of which the first contract was \$118,000. This provides for the construction of the main sewer lines, and from the sale of the remainder of the bonds the laterals will be constructed.

LEGION THESPIANS REHEARSE MONDAY

Report Progress on Skits to Be Given at Big "Vodvil" Show

Although the details of the vaudeville acts to be presented to the public when the American Legion enters the realm of theatricals have not been entirely given out, Chirrup Richard K. Stewart of the committee has announced that the first rehearsal will be held Monday night at 8 o'clock at Knight's of Columbus hall.

"Plans are rapidly shaping themselves for a finished and complete vaudeville show," said Stewart yesterday. "Talent is perfecting itself under the able direction of competent coaches. Jack Tenny of the Merry Shop is developing his musical act to the point of excellence. This portion of the program is to consist of a singing and playing sketch of the Latin Quarter of Paris. Dr. Wheeler, George Tucker and Carl Brisk are in the sketch."

"Reports from the Polito Camp of Musical Endeavor, are that the band trio and able songsters, comprising the two Credels, Collins, and Birmingham, are rounding into fine shape and could even now, if called upon, produce their act."

"Mr. Pearson of Los Angeles has a delightful, mirth-provoking offering in the way of a travesty on 'The Hunchback of Notre Dame,' which is both new and unusual."

"Prof. Macmillan is to present an original feminine sketch with Miss Facet and Miss Fells in the role of 'The Hunchback of Notre Dame.' Allan White is shaping a ballroom dancing act and reports progress."

"George H. Huntington reports that his little playlet is showing, even more signs of promise than at first anticipated."

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